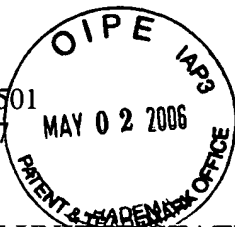


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In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2005 ("the Office Action"),
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in light
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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2
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